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The Southern California DX Club Newsletter est. 1947

*"If you need him get
in there and work
him"*

The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The SCDXC strongly supports the DX Code of Conduct. Please visit their website:

www.dx-code.org

The newsletter is published every month and is released to its members about the first of each month. Amateur and DX related letters, news and pictures are welcome and will be published as time and space permit.

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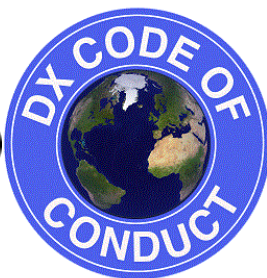
Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at:

<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater:

W6AM/R145.48,(-) 100Hz PL



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Next Meeting

BS7H

Scarborough Reef

Thursday October 11th 7:30 PM!

• **Two New DXCC Members!**

- **KE6BUH - Carolyn**
- **WB6PJC - Arnie**

• **Kosovo - Z6**

- **New Entity?**

• **PT0S St. Peter & Paul Rock!**

• **3D2C Conway Reef!**

• **Shuttle Landing at LAX**

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THE PREZ SEZ
Bill Kendrick, N6RV,
President – Southern California DX Club
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Hello Everybody!

Well it has been another interesting month. Swains Island came and went in short order! The bugs and the heat overcame the team. I do not know what other issues arose. I am sure Charlie, David, and Arnie can give us a report. (*Ernie... that is a hint for a program in November*). Next up is the enigmatic Republic of Kosovo. It was declared an independent state in 2008 but has been "supervised" until 9/17/12. No one knows what will transpire but to their credit (and Martti's, OH2BH) they are charging ahead with amateur licensing. They grabbed the Z6 prefix without ITU notification and first started assigning airplane numbers to ham applications. This was quickly rectified and Z60K is now going hot and heavy. It is anybody's guess if it will be credited. I would guess yes (WFWL).

The bands seem to be OK however this cycle is very sluggish. We have to hold out hope for a big upswing this fall and spring! You know we might not be around for the next one!

The October meeting is going to be interesting as was the September Anchors Away. Thanks to everyone that showed up. The items were few but they were quality ham gear! Some good deals we had. Hey John! I still have that Wavenode WN2 watt meter. It is a real peach! Just meet the reserve and it is yours!

A non-ham friend sent me some great shots of the Shuttle landing at LAX. They are down a few pages. That will be a day to remember.

CLUB YOUTH PROJECT

The board has been tasked to find a project that would pull young people into the hobby. One suggestion is running DX class culminating in a sponsored Field Day type operation at Catalina. If you have an idea or an interest let me know at n6rv@scdxc.org.

Finally, the Boy Scouts in the Los Angeles area are looking for Radio merit badge counselors and hams to help out with JOTA this month. Anyone interested should contact Diane Gilmore at 310-628-2993

See you at the meeting!

73, Bill N6RV
President, SCDXC
www.scdxc.org



Treasurer's Report

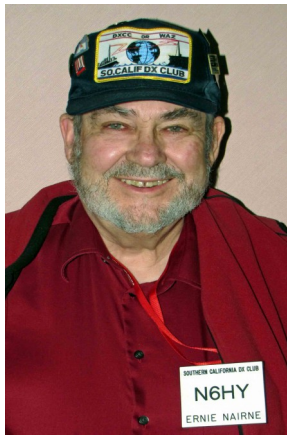
Club financial information is available on request. Contact the treasurer.

Officer Guidelines

The revised version of the Officers Guidelines is available on our website. See the hyperlink below.

Code of Conduct

SCDXC endorses the **DX Code of Conduct**
See the hyperlink below.



VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ernie Nairne, N6HY,
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The program for this month meeting will be BS7H, 2007 Scarborough Reef.

A big thank you to Richard, W6VX, who did a great job as auctioneer, and another thank you to Jeff, K6JW, for all the accounting.

We had a unbelievably good time at Anchors Away, many laughs, lots of fun for all. Know when to bid and know when to fold.

The sun spots might be down, but still lots of DX:

ZS1JX on 80 CW
V63MJ on 20 CW
KH8/DL3DXX on 10 CW
UT7, VK7, FK8, EG5, IS0, all on 30 CW

73, and Good DXing!
Ernie Nairne, N6HY
Vice President SCDXC

DXer of The Year

Congratulations
Bob W6ZPL!

Clipperton Award

Congratulations
Kris KC6TOD!

New Members

Please welcome new members:

Clay Davis
AB9A

Carolyn Jacob
KE6BUH

Paul Carreiro
N6EV

Jerry Carter
W6JAC

Jim Bridge
K7LA

Tom Ryan
N6NPG
W6NSV
Richard Somers

KG0PP
Jim Pope

***Make sure you
meet and greet
them at the next
meeting!***

If you are interested in running for the board now is the time to throw in your hat!

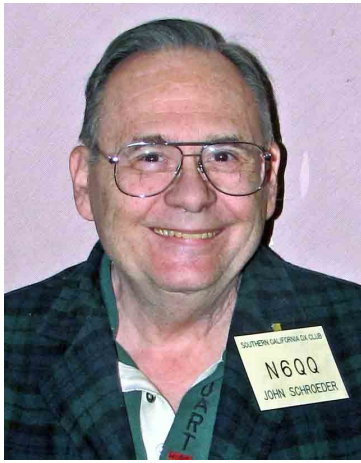
Since Ernie's column is extremely short this is a good place to put in a plug for working for the club. We need new blood and the old hands are willing to train the newbies even if it takes a couple of years so please consider the opportunity. Talking to the editor he mentioned he is willing to train some reporters and an editor. You know it gets lonely in the press room. There is an old Russian proverb; "The purpose of the Pike is to keep the Carp alert." So come out and wake up this old Carp of a board!

All board meetings are open to members. The next meeting is October 13th at WEMS.



New DXer Resources

New DXers Handbook



CONTESTS

**John Schroeder, N6QQ,
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Hello DX Contesters!

October is a big month for contesting with the CQWW DX SSB Contest on the last full weekend. I know a lot of our members turn their noses up and say “I do not do contests”. I think it is because they are afraid of them or afraid of making a poor showing. I am laying down the challenge right now for everyone to get on the air and work the DX in the contests. How about a little friendly inter-club competition?

If you think contesting is not a worthy enterprise then go back through your CQ & QST magazines and count how many entities are on during the contest. See if you need any of the ones listed that should change your mind! Even those of us long in tooth can fill some band / mode slots and if you can't it is always fun to observe the propagation and hear all the great DX on all the bands. It is like the old days! In fact the predictions are that the CQWW SSB will be on a solar flux peak! Look for lots of action on 17 and 12 meters - many DX stations will move to these bands during the contest DX contest and before and after the them.

California QSO Party -- Oct 6-7

The California QSO Party is coming up. It is our time to be DX! For fun pas out your county to stations all over the world, either on CW or SSB. Lots of people will call you.

RTTY

Makrothew RTTY Contest October 13 0000Z - October 14 2359Z

SSB

CQ WW DX Contest SSB October 26 0000Z - October 27 2359Z

CW

10-10 International Fall Contest October 20 0000Z - October 21 2400Z

Have you joined ClubLog yet?? 25 members have already joined! ClubLog has 106.4 million QSO's and 15,769 different call signs. Drop by and have a look www.clublog.org

Where to look for contest rules:

<http://www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/contestcal.html>.

See you in the pile-ups!

73 John N6QQ

ARRL and CQ awards QSL checker

Past President of Southern California DX Club - 2011 www.scdxc.org

<http://www.qrz.com/db/N6QQ>

DX ACCOMPLISHMENTS

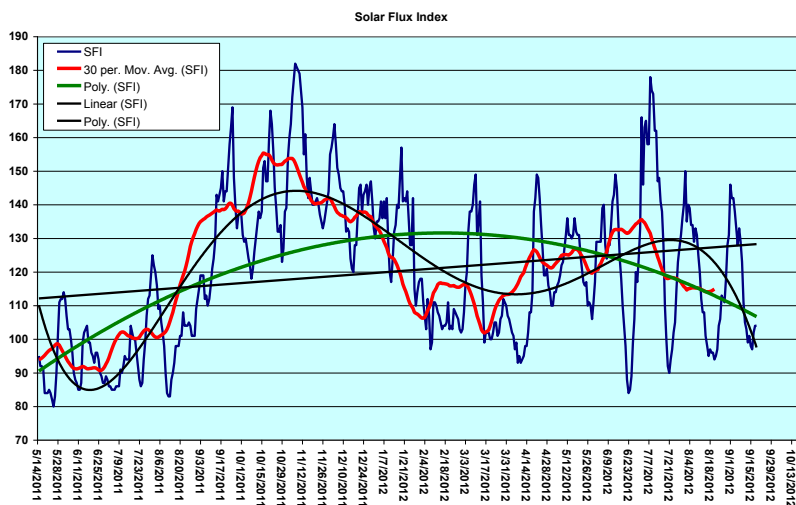
Celebrate the Successes of Our Fellow Members!

This month 4 members reported in their updates and two have broken the DXCC barrier! Again congratulations to Arnie, WB6PJC and Carolyn, KE6BUH. Next time you see them let them know they did a good job!

Thanks for your input!

The following contributed:

Call	DXCC	WAZ
SM5GMZ	336 / 329	
K2IXQ	333 / 329	
KE6BUH	100 / 100	
WB6PJC	100 / 100	



SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings (N6RV)

The first WAZ column is the confirmed zone count on 10 bands 160 - 6 (less 60 meters). The second column is the regular 5BWAZ confirmed count. The following are the codes that follow the two columns and indicate the awards:

M	Mixed
P	Phone
C	CW
R	RTTY
5	5 Band

The first DXCC column is the confirmed entity count with deleted countries. The second column is the confirmed current entity count.

If you have any information to post please go to the on-line webform and update your standing:

<http://www.scdxc.org/dx-update.html>

WAZ STANDINGS

	10B / 5B	Awards
K6ND	378 / 200	M/5
W6SR	369 / 200	M/P/C/5
WA5VGI	357 / 200	M/P/C/5
W8DX	357 / 200	M/5
EU7SA	357 / 200	M/5
N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
K6YRA	337 / 200	P/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
NS6C	198 / 198	
K6FG	359 / 197	M/P/C/R/5
K6GXO	358 / 198	M
N6MXU	155 / 193	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
N6RV	300 / 187	M/P/C
KC6X	294 / 187	M/P/C/5
SM5GMZ	300 / 187	M/P/C
K6LD	314 / 186	M/P/C
W6YOO	308 / 185	M/P/C/5
N6QQ	324 / 185	M/P/C/R
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
K6SY	246 / 173	P
W6ZPL	237 / 173	M/P
K0OK	284 / 172	
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
KR6C	295 / 171	M/C
AD6KQ	226 / 164	
N6DHZ	214 / 160	P
K6KII	191 / 177	M
KH6MB	181 / 174	
W6DR	227 / 159	
NK6A	152 / 152	M/5
W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
W6IRD	151 / 111	M/P
W5DQ	161 / 122	
K6IRD	154 / 126	M/P
WB6PSY	139 / 140	P
KT6LA	132 / 103	
N6HE	130 / 138	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6IRA	118 / 102	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
N6UC	78 / 78	M
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
N6VNI	86 / 64	
N6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6YR	39 / 39	
W6DOE	37 / 37	
NZ6L	36 / 36	
W4EF	29 /	
N6AWD		M
N6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C

DXCC STANDINGS

	TOT / CUR
K6KII	387 / 340
JA1BK	377 / 338
K6YRA	376 / 340
K6EXO	370 / 338
K6YUI	365 / 340
N6UC	367 / 340
K6DJ	363 / 340
K6IPV	362 / 340
NS6C	360 / 340
W6HT	358 / 338
W6SR	358 / 340
WA6WZO	357 / 340
K8RD	356 / 340
K5KT	355 / 340
N6AW	355 / 337
K6FG	355 / 340
K6GXO	355 / 340
K2PLF	354 / 340
N6RV	354 / 339
W8DX	353 / 340
W6IRD	352 / 336
W6OES	351 / 334
WEAUG	350 / 340
W6YOO	349 / 340
KC6X	349 / 340
W6KK	348 / 340
W6VX	348 / 340
WA5VGI	348 / 340
N6AWD	348 / 338
WB6PSY	348 / 337
N6QQ	348 / 333
K6ND	347 / 340
W6OM	347 / 337
W6ENZ	347 / 338
N6HC	345 / 337
K6LD	344 / 338
EU7SA	343 / 336
W6DCK	342 / 336
KR6C	341 / 339
KB6KTV	340 / 335
N6MG	339 / 331
N6OU	338 / 330
SM5GMZ	336 / 329
N6HY	333 / 329
AD6KQ	328 / 328
K6UNR	333 / 332
K2IXQ	333 / 329
KM6HB	332 / 327
KJ6Y	327 / 323
W6ZPL	317 / 317
K6SY	312 / 310
W6HB	303 / 295
N6MXU	301 / 297
K0OK	300 / 298
WD6L	295 / 295
N6DHZ	288 / 284
K6IRA	286 / 286
W6NRQ	285 / 281
W6DR	282 / 278
K6JW	277 / 273
N7CQ	268 / 266
K6GEP	267 / 262
K6DJ	261 / 259
K6IRD	260 / 250
N6WIN	258 / 253
NK6A	255 / 255
K6YR	244 / 244
W3SE	240 / 237
K6HCJ	235 / 235
KT6LA	229 / 227
K6GEP	229 / 226
K6VC	227 / 227
W5DQ	225 / 220
N6VNI	223 / 223
KN6VF	223 / 223
ZL3TE	222 / 220
WA6BOB	202 / 198
W6DOE	191 / 189
N6RI	189 / 180
W6VWV	181 / 180
N6HE	178 / 171
K6LX	175 / 175
W6EA	152 / 152
KA6TTV	149 / 149
K6OGO	142 / 142
W4EF	132 / 132
WA6NOL	127 / 130
WB6PJC	100 / 100
NZ6L	27 / 27

RUMORS ON THE BAND

A plethora of announcements, rumors, and serious DX fun

Did you work NH8S on all the bands you needed? They had to pull out early. It seems the bugs and weather got to them. If you have ever been on a Dxpedition then you understand the heat and humidity. Having been on Dxpedition in American Samoa I can say that the humidity is bad enough. We had air conditioning at the Rainmaker Hotel. Imagine being in a tent on a beach. On Guadeloupe Island we were on the beach in a jungle. I still have scars from the bug bites. The bugs really enjoyed soaking up the deet!

In any event we send out a hearty congratulations to the NH8S team. You braved a trip that few would consider. If you have not seen the photos on their website you should check them out. That red stuff on their faces is sunburn and they used SPF 90! The funniest sequence of pictures is the three ops on break. The sequence shows them nodding off one at a time. It is hilarious!

<http://www.nh8s.org/pages/photos.html>

This month we have several interesting DXpeditions going. Look for **Monaco** (*just for you N6QQ*), **Christmas Island**, **Rodriguez Island**, **West Kiribati**, **Papua New Guinea**, and **Albania**. Remember the CQWW SSB contest and the end of the month. There will be lots of DX then!

Useful DX Sites

The Daily DX

www.dailydx.com/

Announced DX Ops

www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

DX Coffee

<http://www.dxcffee.com/eng/>

DXing.info

<http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/>

DX 425 News

www.425dxn.org/dxped/

Dx-info.de

www.dx-info.de

DX Italia DX News

www.marioi2mqp.it

DH9SB Weekly DX Calendar

<http://www.dx-info.de>

N0HR DXpedition Map

www.n0hr.com/wk34/

The DX Zone

www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

Blue Information indicate particularly rare entities and **Red information** indicate SCDXC member attended DXpedition. As always you have to turn on your radio to work them.

Call	QTH	Start Date	End Date	Information	Website
3D2C	Conway Reef	Now	10/5/2012	YT1AD, K3LP, UA4HOX, N6PSE, PY5EG, RW4NW, WD5COV, EA1IR, AA4NN, AH6HY, AD6E, I2VGV, K6SRZ, 160-10m, CW, SSB, RTTY, SSTV, PSK31	-
3A/G0VJG	Monaco	Now	10/5/2012	HF SSB	-
FR/DJ7RJ	Reunion Island	Now	10/21/2012	160-10, CW, SSB	-
SV9/DF8DX	Crete	Now	10/7/2012	HF, CW	-
PJ6/G4IUF	Saba	Now	11/1/2012	80- 6 CW, SSB, Digital	-
TT8TT	Chad	10/5/2012	10/16/2012	I2YSB, I1HJT, IK2CIO, IK2CKR, IK2DIA, IK2HKT, 160-6m, CW, SSB, RTTY	http://www.i2ysb.com/joomla5/
VK9XM	Christmas Island	10/6/2012	10/12/2012	OH2YY & OH1TV, 40-10m, SSB, CW	-
W4DAN/CY0	Sable Island	10/8/2012	10/17/2012	Also AA4VK/CY0, 40-10m, CW	-
3B9SP	Rodriguez Island	10/16/2012	10/23/2012	HB9ACA HB9BOI HB9BOU HB9BQP HB9CYF HB9HFN HB9SLO HB9TNA HB9TYJ, 160-6m, CW SSB + digital	http://hb9fr.ch/3b9sp
T20PY	West Kiribati	10/16/2012	10/25/2012	PT2OP PY1KN PY2PT PY2XB PY2WAS PY3MM PY4BZ PY7XC PY7ZY, 160-6m, CW SSB RTTY, T30SIX on 6m	http://www.mdxc.org/t30py/
P29VCX	Papua New Guinea	10/20/2012	11/12/2012	G3KHZ SM6CVX DL6KVA HB9BXE K5WQG Several Island Tour	http://p29ni.yolasite.com/
5Z4EE	Kenya	10/29/2012	10/30/2012	NV7E CQWW RTTY	-
OG0Z	Aland Island	10/29/2012	10/30/2012	OH3BHL	-
OH0I	Aland Island	10/29/2012	10/30/2012	OH8KVY	-
OH0Z	Aland Island	10/29/2012	10/30/2012	OH9MM	-
ZA/OL8R	Albania	10/29/2012	10/30/2012	OK1DX, OK1FCJ, OK6D, ZA / home call outside of contest, 16-10m.	-

3D2C CONWAY REEF

Press Release # 4 - Dxpedition to Conway Reef as 3D2C

The 3D2C team is now making their way to Suva, Fiji to board their vessel for the 36 hour voyage to Conway Reef. The advance team is in Suva and has prepared, tested and loaded our equipment. We now have 19 operators from all over the globe to participate in this tent and generator operation.

We have updated our website with the following features: On-line log search, which will be updated as frequently as possible, We also list the most recent spots/DX Cluster courtesy of dxwatch.com.

The main goals of this DXpedition are to work every amateur radio operator who needs Conway Reef for a new DXCC country. In addition, we will be active on all bands from 1.8 MHz to 144 MHz, including the 5MHz and 50 MHz bands.

We will be active on CW, SSB and RTTY. Special attention will be made to work far away stations such as Europe and Africa during those periods when propagation permits. The propagation window for EU and Africa is very brief at times and signals may be weak, so we ask everyone in the honored HAM SPIRIT to stand by when asked so that we may fulfill this need. Our destination will have a wide range of options and possibilities.

We will use our Satellite phones to upload our logs on a daily basis to our on-line log. We will upload to LOTW approximately six months following the DXpedition.

Our team consists of these Operators: Hrane-YT1AD-Leader, Aleksey-UA4HOX-Co-Leader-Operations, Paul-N6PSE-Co-Leader-PR & Fund-raising, David-WD5COV, Vasily-RW4NW, David-AH6HY, Alan-K6SRZ-Team Physician, Alan-AD6E, Sergej-RZ3FW, Craig-K9CT, Stan-LZ1GC, George-N6NKT, Peter-PY5CC, Mike-K6MKF, Jim-K9JM, Miguel-PY3MM, Luciano-PY5KD, Dragan-YT3W and Tevita-3D2TR.

Our Pilot Stations are: Aca-YU1AA, Toma-YU1AB and Andre-V51B.

We wish everyone good propagation and we hope that you enjoy working the 3D2C Team.

We are very grateful to INDEXA, NCDXF and all of the Clubs and individuals who have provided monetary support for this Dxpedition. We sincerely hope we can satisfy your needs!

Our official website is <http://www.yt1ad.info/3d2c/index.html>

3D2C Team



Republic of Kosovo - On The Air!

If you have not been following the banter regarding Kosovo you are missing out on a heated debate. It appears that the Republic has assigned themselves a prefix and began licensing without formal ITU recognition. As you already know this region is contested by Serbia and the Serbs do not consider international opinion as binding even if it is the IARU or ARRL :-)! That said the supervised independence has ended and Kosovo may well be on its way to becoming an independent state. Work First Worry Later! (WFWL)

Sept 17 - Z60K - Launch of Amateur Radio in Pristina, Kosovo

Z60K now listed on Club Log with the following message:

Provisionally The Republic of Kosovo - pending news from ARRL. This DXCC is temporarily marked as a current DXCC entity in Club Log in order to allow the expedition log search features to function correctly. Approval for this operation will come from ARRL alone.

On September 17th, shortly after 1700z, international and local ops started operating as Z60K from near Pristina, Kosovo on both 20 and 17m SSB. Operators included Emil/9A9A, Bob/MD0CCE, Martti/OH2BH and Pekka/OH2TA. Local TV recorded the moment live on air. QSL via G3TXF.

IARU Announcement

Monday, September 10, 2012 marked the end of supervised independence of the Republic of Kosovo, a European country with a population of 2 million, and the beginning of its status as a fully sovereign state.

The ceremonies featured a keynote address by a former UN Envoy for Kosovo, President Martti Ahtisaari of Finland, an architect of the March 26, 2007 Comprehensive Proposal for the Kosovo Status Settlement which now came to its completion. In his speech at Monday's special session of the Kosovo Parliament, President Ahtisaari stated: "Five years ago I offered to the Secretary-General of the United Nations a blueprint for a sovereign, multi-ethnic democracy called Kosovo. Today we celebrate the full and final adoption of the principles and structures of that blueprint into the institutions, the processes, and the legal framework of an independent, functioning state." Pursuant to the Settlement Proposal, an International Steering Group (ISG) - consisting of twenty-five countries - was formed to oversee and guide the development of good governance, multi-ethnicity and rule of law in Kosovo.

The ISG has now completed its duties, allowing Kosovo to continue with full sovereignty and the management of its own affairs as a member of the world community. This is now the overall state of affairs regarding Kosovo's formal status, which enables the country to pursue its chosen course independently into the future. Kosovo is now an independent country, which must be honored as such. As of today, a total of 91 countries, including most of the industrialized world, such as USA, Japan, Germany, the United Kingdom and France along with the Benelux and Nordic countries, have recognized the Republic of Kosovo. These powers have endorsed the final settlement, the fulfillment of which is now celebrated in Kosovo's capital Prishtina.

An Amateur Radio working group headed by IARU Region 1 President Hans Blondeel Timmerman, PB2T and including IARU Region 1 Executive Committee Member Nikola Percin, 9A5W and Mission Goodwill Kosovo Coordinator Martti Laine, OH2BH together with their associates are in the final stages of assisting Kosovo's Telecom Authorities in drafting regulations governing Amateur Radio in Kosovo, to bring the original Kosovar operators and their re-vitalized Amateur Radio Association back to the international community.

VU7M LAKSHADWEEP

Well the Dxpedition is over and unfortunately no West Coast stations were worked. The conditions were poor and as advertised this was a humble Dxpedition. Hopefully the next one will be a large undertaking.

Here are some photographs of Minicoy Island. It looks very inviting. More photos can be found at:

<https://picasaweb.google.com/110254406059509302988/VU7M?authuser=0&feat=directlink>

Here are a few links to their story:

<http://www.n0un.net/2012/08/vu7m-lakshadweep-dxcc/>

<http://dx-world.net/2012/vu7m-lakshadweep/>

<http://www.eham.net/articles/28696>

Special Event Amateur (Ham) Radio Station
IARU Region 3 ITU Zone 41 CQ Zone 22

VU7M

Grid : MJ68mg, Longitude 73°01'33"E, Latitude 08°16'09"N
Minicoy Lighthouse, Union Territory of Lakshadweep, (Laccadive Islands), INDIA
13th to 22nd August 2012
Celebrating
International Lighthouse and Lightship Week "LUV" from WLOIA/JAN00A, Global Jingles of Islands on the Air IOTA - AS106
World Lighthouse on the Air WLOTA N: 2958.66° India's Independence Day Celebration, World Flora and Fauna - VUWFF103
By : Bangalore Amateur Radio Club - VU2APC, Lions Clubs International Ham Radio Station - VU2LCI
Operators: VU2UR - Arasu, VU2LX - Laxman, VU2LU - Ramesh, VU2ESM - Srinath, VU2GGM - Poru & VU2JHM - Ajay
Details: <http://www.qrz.com/db/VU7M>



DXpedition Matching Fund Donations



PT0S will be activated for two weeks in the November - December time frame. Access to this entity has been banned by the Brazilian government due to the fragile environment and safety issues. The group has been given a special permit to go by the proper authorities. We will set out a can at the October and November meetings.

Just a reminder the matching donation fund only considers DXpeditions going to the top 25 most wanted entities for the West Coast. The process of selection and limits on contributions have been outlined in an earlier newsletter.



46th California QSO Party

Hello from the Northern California Contest Club and the 46th running of the California QSO Party. This is a great contest even for the casual contester as California is THE DX everyone else wants to work! It's a great opportunity to capture Worked All States or dig out new countries for the DX'er.

The Northern California Contest Club sponsors CQP and we have developed a number of awards to encourage folks to join the contest. These include awards for the top operator in the YL, Youth and New Contester categories. We are hoping you can mention CQP in your September club meeting as the contest runs the weekend of **October 7th and 8th**. The full rules can be found at:

<http://www.cqp.org/Rules.html>

We have put together a PR pack for this year's CQP that is available on the CQP web site at:

<http://www.cqp.org/Resources.html>

The PR pack includes an "advertisement" for CQP that ran in the September QST as well as an article for incorporation in your club Newsletter.

Best 73's Stu K6TU - President, NCCC Alan K6SRZ - CQP Chair

ALL NINE AZORES ISLANDS, CU1 THROUGH CU9, ACTIVATED AT ONCE

<http://azores-islands-hunt.com/>

Are You Ready to Fly to Azores for Free by Making Nine QSOs?

Yes indeed, those of you willing to spend 24 hours or less on the radio are eligible to participate in an Azores lottery for two all-paid packages to the beautiful Azores Islands in the Atlantic, completely free of charge. The project is organized by the Azores-Finland Friendship Consortium in partnership with the Amateur Radio Associations of the Azores Islands and supported by the Azores Promotion Agency (ATA) and Azorean Airlines (SATA). Just look at <www.visitazores.com> and make up your mind.

Not many people know that the Azores consist of nine populated islands, stretching over a distance of 602 km (305mi) from East to West, next to USA and Europe. And it is not widely known that the Azores have their own airline (SATA) flying to each island, in addition to many destinations in Europe and North America. Each island has its own characteristics and its own blend and alone qualifies for your visit there. While these islands count for a single DXCC entity, they offer three (3) IOTA groupings.

With this unique AZORES 9 ISLANDS HUNT, an invited international group of amateur radio operators together with resident Azores amateurs will be activating the nine islands, offering an opportunity to the world to contact these islands all at once over one weekend.

Activity Weekend

Saturday, September 29, 1200 UTC to September 30, 1200 UTC (24 hours). These stations will be active starting Friday, September 28 as soon as they become operational.

Frequency Windows

CW: 7000-7015, 18080-18090 and 14050-14065 kHz

SSB: 7175-7195, 18120-18135 and 14250-14275 kHz

Nine Islands and their Stations

Santa Maria, CU1ARM; San Miguel, CU2ARA; Terceira, CU3URA; Graciosa, CU4ARG; Sao Jorge, CU5AM; Pico, CU6GRP; Faial, CU7CRA; Flores, CU8ARF; Corvo, CU9AC.

Operators and Island Hosts

Sergio, CU1AAD; Jose, CU2CE; Francisco, CU2DX; Guilherme, CU2IF; Domingo, CU3CS; Guilherme, CU4AB; Jose, CU5AM; Jorge, CU6AB; Manuel, CU7CA; Claudio, CU8AAE; Joao, CU9AC; Franz, DJ9ZB; Richard, DF9TF; Nigel, G3TXF; Michael, G7VJR; Diane, K2DO; Rich, KE3Q; Mike, KI1U; Marius, LB3HC; George, N2GA; Martti, OH2BH; Juha, OH8NC; Ghis, ON5NT; Carine, ON7LX; Claude, ON7TK; Alex, OZ7AM; Kenneth, OZ1IKY; Yuri, VE3DZ and Ed, VE3FWA.

Two Hunt Awards

Those making a QSO with at least 5 different islands will have a corresponding number of tickets placed into a lottery for a free trip to the Azores (e.g. if you have QSOs with 7 islands, you will get 7 lottery tickets). Additionally, the first 25 operators making QSOs with all 9 islands will be eligible for a second lottery. The free trips are from the closest airport served by SATA; including flight, accommodation and transfers..

During or immediately after the weekend, the logs will be posted on Club Log to display your band/mode slots. The lottery will be drawn on October 15, 2012.

QSL Cards

All QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau network with special full-color cards. Direct QSL requests via Jose Melo, CU2CE.

SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

Comments, Announcements, and Interesting Tidbits Submitted by Members

Birthdays

Here are the October birthdays!

KA6D	Morton	K5KT	Joe	K6RIY	Jay	W6WBY	Robert
W6FL	Howard	W6OES	Karl	KF6RNX	Irene	WA6WXD	Andy
N6HY	Ernie	N6OPR	Bob	AE6RS	Rick	KJ6Y	Skip
K2IXQ	Peter	N6QQ	John	N6UOZ	Mark	WA6YLZ	Mike
W6KK	Charlie	N6RI	David	KH6VZ	Mary	W6YOO	Harry
K6KSY	Doris						

Many happy returns and may you have many more!

Who Can It Be Now? (N6RV)

I was curious about this ham's antenna set up so I asked him to email me some pictures. I realized he did not have antennas for 20 meters and above. I asked what he used on 160-20 and his answer was nothing! Who can it be now? He is famous and has to share his station!

From the bottom:

10 Meters: 5-element Yagi (N6BV design)

15 Meters: 7-element OWA Yagi

6 Meters: 9-Element OWA Yagi

2 Meters: 12-element K1FO Yagi

And a dual-band FM vertical on top.

Top of the tower (lattice) is 69 feet (Rohn 45G).

Edgar Brown, N6OU (KF6RNX)

Sorry for posting this late. We received it on 9/6 after the September newsletter went out.

Dear SCDX Club Members,

The family and I would like your prayers for my husband Edgar W. Brown N6OU. Last week he was operated on to remove his gallbladder. There were some complications and now he's recuperating from this. He is alert and eating well. With his sense of humor he's on the mend. He is walking some, which is so good. However, there is no date of his release.

So, cards or letters and your prayers are asked at this time.

God bless you.

Love, Irene P. Brown KF6RNX

Need CQ Magazines in Japanese (W6YLZ)

Mike, W6YLZ is looking for CQ magazines in Japanese for his calms. If you have a lead on any please email him at: w6ylz@sbcglobal.net



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Franz's IDXC Patch Collection (N6IC)

Franz Langer, DJ9ZB, has been collecting patches from the International DX Convention in Visalia. Don sent this picture Franz forwarded. There are some patches I wish I had and I attended all the conventions!

Franz, do not be a stranger. We would love to see you at the next convention. I promise there will be no late night break-ins to your hotel room!



Two New DXCC Members (N6RV)

Just when you think DXing is diminishing two club members cross the threshold stepping into that prestigious group known as DXCC. Congratulations to Carolyn, KE6BUH and Arnie, WB6PJC! Both have been hard at work increasing their country totals. Arnie has been updating totals just about every week and Carolyn has been snagging those rare ones on a regular basis.

We can picture it now. An announcement shows up on the repeater and all three of the Jacob clan are wedged in the doorway trying to be the first to work them. Yep, three DXers under one roof. Maybe it is time for three stations... eh George!

South Sudan (N6RV)

QRZ DX Reports South Sudan has been actively stepping up the licensing process.

"It's official all, the first two amateur radio operators in The Republic of South Sudan are James Pratt (K7QI) and now (Z81A) Diya Al Sadi (Y11DZ) and now (Z81D)

These are permanent call signs given by the Ministry of Telecommunications and Postal Services, and Postal Services. At present time, Diya is already all setup and ready to go, and thanks to Diya's kindness, we will both be using his station. So standby for Z81A and Z81D. I have attached pics including the signing with the Director General of Telecommunications (Eng. Meshack Madol Yol). Diya;

Start the pile up's dude!! I will be there to pick up the slack.. Hi! Hi!"--73--

Jim K7QI Z81A"

GL/73,
Carl, N4AA"

Ham Shack



K7QI with License



Diya at Radio



The Final Flight



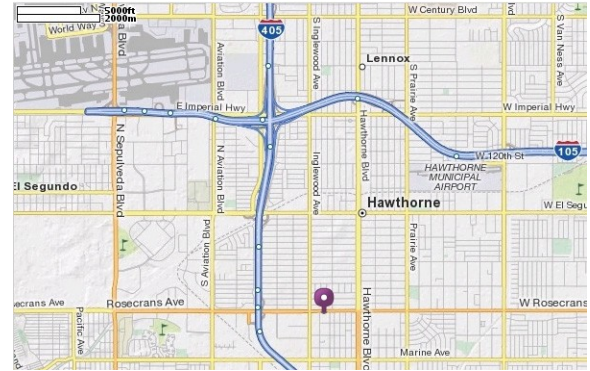
SCDXC Meeting Location

SCDXC Meets at WEMS Inc. on Rosecrans in Hawthorne. It is very close to the 405 Freeway however the entrance can be missed. The major landmark is the tower with the SteppIR antenna on top.

The driving directions to WEMS, Inc are as follows:

The address is: [4650 West Rosecrans Avenue, Hawthorne, CA. \(South side of street\)](#)

1. Coming South on the I-405 take the second Rosecrans (Rosecrans East) off ramp. At the bottom of the off ramp turn right and proceed to the next traffic light and turn right again on to Rosecrans Avenue. Go under the freeway and proceed East on Rosecrans past Inglewood Avenue. Go 1-1/2 blocks past Inglewood Avenue and make a right turn into the driveway between a one story building and a two story building with a tower and SteppIR antenna. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past. If you get to traffic light East of Inglewood avenue turn around and go back. Look for the antenna.
2. Coming North on the I-405 take the first Rosecrans off ramp (Rosecrans East) and turn right at the bottom of the off ramp onto Rosecrans Avenue. Go 1-1/2 blocks past Inglewood Avenue and make a right turn into the driveway between a one story building and a two story building with a tower and SteppIR antenna. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past. If you get to traffic light East of Inglewood avenue turn around and go back. Look for the antenna
3. Coming West on CA-91 merge on to I-110 South and then North onto the I-405. Once you are Northbound on the I-405 follow the directions in #2 above.
4. Coming West on the I-105 Exit the Hawthorne Blvd. off ramp. At the end of the very long off ramp turn left onto Hawthorne Blvd and proceed South to Rosecrans Avenue. Turn right on Rosecrans Avenue and proceed West. Just past the first traffic light after your turn onto Rosecrans move into the 2-way left turn lane and turn in the driveway between the two story building with tower/antenna and the one story building. As you drive down Rosecrans you should be able to see the tower on the two story building. Drive past the gate and park in any open parking space. We will be meeting in the one story building you just drove past.
5. If you live in the South Bay or Palos Verdes you are on your own.
6. If you would like to try Metro Light Rail, see Mel Hughes for information. WEMS is an easy walk from a Metro Green Line Station, or we can arrange a ride from the station to WEMS.



Pre-Club Meeting Dinner

Club members and visitors often meet before the meeting and enjoy a meal. Lately many of us have been going to #1 Buffet at 14418 Hawthorne Blvd, Lawndale, CA 90260, (310) 644-4007. The restaurant is just South and East of WEMS. Another group meets at the Denny's on the corner of Inglewood Avenue and Rosecrans Avenue. This is stones throw West of WEMS. For those interested in fine dining some of the best restaurants in the South Bay are located on Rosecrans just West between the 405 and Sepulveda (PCH). The Manhattan Beach area is a target rich food environment!





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101 W. La Habra Blvd.

La Habra, Ca. 90631

Date and Time:

Third Thursday of every month, @ 6 P.M. unless otherwise noted

Pre-Registration is requested and preferred.

Walk-ins are welcome.

UPCOMING SESSIONS:

Thursday, July 19th, 2012 – 6 pm

Thursday, August 16th, 2012 – 6pm

Thursday, Sept. 20th, 2012 – 6pm

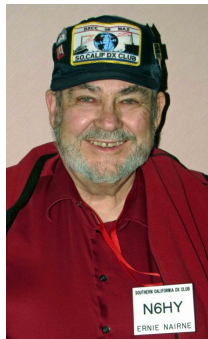
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